

## FORMER CALIFORNIA SUPERVISOR PLEADS GUILTY TO MAIL THEFT.

A former California Bulk Mail Center (BMC) Supervisor pled guilty in U. S. District Court to one count of Theft of Mail on May 8, 2007. The postal employee had resigned from the Postal Service in November 2006 and was indicted by a federal grand jury for the thefts.

The investigation by Office of Inspector General (OIG) Special Agents began last year after postal managers discovered 10 to 12 opened *Amazon.com* boxes with missing contents. The parcels were received in an open condition from the California BMC.

OIG video surveillance showed the BMC supervisor stealing electronic items from the mail. Our investigation revealed the supervisor had been stealing items from *Amazon.com* and other retailers for over 6 months. In searches of the supervisor's residence, Special Agents recovered hundreds of electronic items determined to be stolen from the mail. The estimated retail value of the items recovered is approximately \$40,000.

The plea agreement includes a sentence of 18 months in federal prison and 36 months of supervised release thereafter.

